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## RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

VIA FACSIMILE: 703-872-9306 Mail Stop After Final **Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the pending final Office Action, mailed December 24, 2003, Applicant provides:

-amendments to the specification are set forth in section a); and

Requests reconsideration in view of the remarks as set forth in section b).